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TITLE: "AN ACT CONCERNING THE SOLID WASTE FUND AND THE EMERGENCY SPILL RESPONSE FUND"

FAVORABLY REPORTED BY Environment, Appropriations

SUMMARY: This bill allows for the payment of 36 additional positions associated with emergency spills, the State remedial program; site discovery and assessment, pesticides and hazardous waste onto the Emergency Spill Response Fund and 13 positions associated with the Solid Waste program onto the Solid Waste Fund from the General Fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/1/92

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER SB 54

STATE IMPACT                      Implements Provisions in the Budget, see explanation below

MUNICIPAL IMPACT                None

STATE AGENCY(S)                Environmental Protection

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:

STATE IMPACT: Funds in the amount of \$2,246,419 have been removed within SHB 5100 (the Appropriations Act, as favorably reported from the Appropriations Committee) for FY 1992-93 due to the transfer of 49 positions and associated expenses within the Department of Environmental Protection from the General Fund to the Emergency Spill Response Fund (36 positions) and the Solid Waste Fund (13 positions).

The Emergency Spill Response Fund is currently used to support 34 positions and associated costs including fringe benefits, in the administration of the programs relating to emergency spills, site remediation negative declaration programs, pesticide program, etc. The Fund is also used to contain and clean-up hazardous waste spills, conduct studies, aquifer mapping projects, contribute to the Hazardous Waste Management Service, funds small business loans and provides potable water and grants for water lines. Approximately \$4 million a year in revenue is generated for the Fund and it is estimated that the Fund balance will be approximately \$9.8 million at the end of this fiscal year. Expenditures for FY 1993 including the additional positions are estimated at \$7.6 million which will leave a Fund balance of approximately \$6.2 million at the close of FY 1993. Excluding the possibility of a catastrophic spill, the Fund should remain solvent through FY 1994. The Solid Waste Fund is currently used

to support 6 positions and associated expenses including fringe benefits, in the inspection of resource recovery facilities and the monitoring of dioxin emissions. Approximately \$1.5 million dollars in revenue is generated for the Fund per year, and it is estimated that the Solid Waste Fund balance will be \$2.2 million at the close of this fiscal year. Expenditures for FY 1993 including the 13 additional positions are estimated at approximately \$2 million which will leave a Fund balance at the close of FY 1993 of approximately \$1.7 million. The Fund should remain solvent at least through FY 1995.